Recommendations of Justice A.M. Ahmadi Committee regarding NHRC

2497. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have so far not taken any decision in regard to recommendations of the Justice A.M. Ahmadi Committee on enlarging the powers of the National Human Rights Commission;

(b) if so, whether one of the recommendations of the Committee was to setting up parallel human rights courts in the country;

(c) what are the main reasons for not accepting the recommendations of the Committee;

(d) the total number of recommendations made;

(e) how many of them have been accepted; and

(f) by what time they are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (f) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has suggested 35 amendments to the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, based on the recommendations of Justice A.M. Ahmedi Committee. The matter is under examination.

Foreign grants-in-aid received by Voluntary Organisations in Rajasthan

2498. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the foreign grants-in-aid received by the voluntary organisations in Rajasthan during the last three years and the current year, year-wise and organisation-wise;

(b) the names and addresses of the foreign agencies; and

(c) the details of the schemes for which aid has been provided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The details of the receipt of foreign contribution by voluntary associations, including those in Rajasthan, the principal donors and the purpose-wise utilisation of the foreign contribution are contained in the Annual Report on receipt of foreign contribution by voluntary associations published by the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division). Copies of the Annual Report upto 1998-99 are available in the Parliament Library. The report for the year 1999-2000 is under print, and the data for the year 2000-2001 is under compilation.

Purchase of Real Estate by terrorists in Delhi

2499. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that underworld operators, reportedly having links with terrorists, are buying real estate in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details of enquiries made in this regard; and

(c) the activities carried by them through their established bases in various parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) In the course of interrogation of the accused persons arrested by the Central Bureau of Investigation in connection with the case relating to the seizure of a cache of arms from Santhalpur in the Patan District of Gujarat, it was revealed that one of the accused persons had acquired a plot of land in Jaitpur area of Delhi in a benami transaction and was constructing a flat there. The accused person is in judicial custody at Patan, Gujarat.

Terrorist groups operating in India banned by the US

2500. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many terrorist organisations and groups have been banned by the US which are indulging in terrorist operations in India;

(b) how many Pakistan based terrorist groups are indulging in terrorist activities in India and the details thereof; and